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Division of Dockets Management U.S. Food and Drug Administration HFA-305 5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061 Rockville, Maryland 20852

Re: Docket No. 2004D-0283 – Draft Guidance for Industry: Waivers of *In Vivo* Demonstration of Bioequivalence of Animal Drugs in Soluble Powder Oral Dosage Form Products and Type A Medicated Articles

The ANIMAL HEALTH INSTITUTE ("AHI") requests a 60-day extension of the comment period for Docket No. 2004D-0283 – Draft Guidance for Industry: Waivers of *In Vivo* Demonstration of Bioequivalence of Animal Drugs in Soluble Powder Oral Dosage Form Products and Type A Medicated Articles published by FDA in the *Federal Register* on August 3, 2004.

AHI is the national trade association representing manufacturers of animal health products – the pharmaceuticals, vaccines and feed additives used in modern food production, and the medicines that keep livestock and pets healthy.

Due to the potential impact on our industry of this proposed change, we request additional time to thoroughly review the document, analyze the impact on our industry and provide comments to the Docket. We appreciate your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

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